

Nursery and Reception

LONG AGO

This week, Reception have been learning the story of The Little Red Hen. In our version of the story, The Little Red Hen takes her corn to the windmill to be ground into flour. We have spent time exploring different types of mills including water and windmills which were a common way to make flour in the past. The children then had a go at using a pestle and mortar to grind pearl barley. It was really tough and the children needed strong muscles but we managed to make some flour.





Year 1 & 2

The children in Years 1 and 2 created decorations this week for The Leamington Christmas Tree Festival.

Inspired by our exciting theatre trip to watch 'The Gruffalo' at Warwick Art's Centre, the children in Year 1 designed a stocking for their favourite Gruffalo story character while the Year 2 children created a Gruffalo bauble using oil pastels. They wrote about their favourite part of the story on the reverse.

The class worked as a team to create a long paper chain snake which represented the classes' favourite character. Isiah and Niha were selected to decorate the tree, which can be viewed in All Saints Parish church alongside many other trees decorated by school children across the Leamington area (please see the attached flyer for details.) We are really thrilled with the finished result, well done to all the children involved.





Year 1 & 2



ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2023

All Saints' Parish Church

Sat 9* – Sun 17 Dec

2-6pm (weekdays) 12-6pm (weekends)

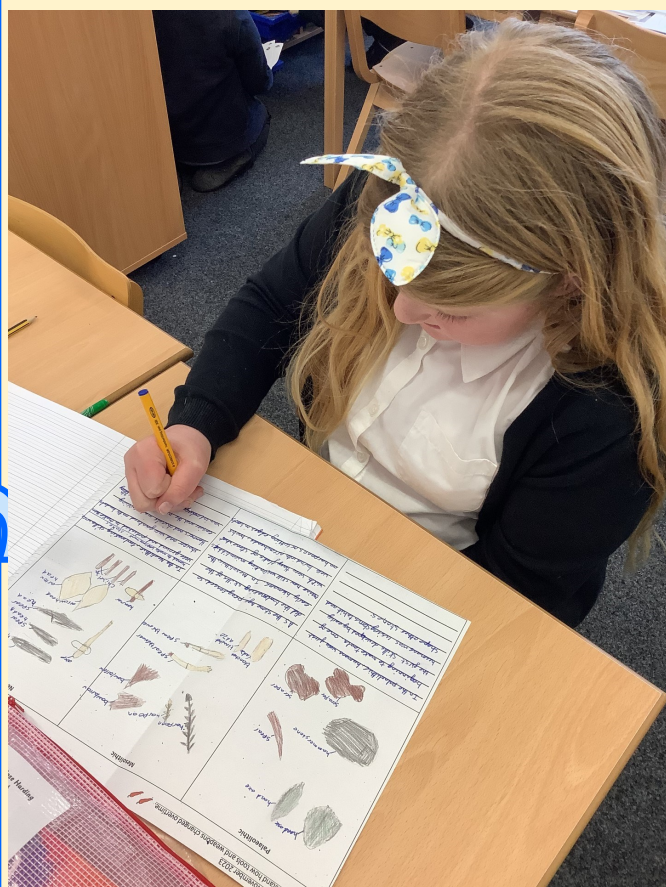
* open 12-3pm for our relaxed session

Adults £2 – Under 16s free



During Years 3 and Year 4's history lesson, the children investigated the evolution of Stone Age tools and weapons over that period of time. They began the lesson with a brief discussion about the significance of tools in daily life. Subsequently, we revisited the three primary periods—Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, and Neolithic. The children examined images of various tools and weapons, conducting research to answer questions about their purpose and evolution.

During this exploration, we engaged in discussions about the nature of these tools, the materials from which they were crafted, and their individual functionalities. Following the discussion, the children showcased their understanding by drawing examples of tools used in different periods. In these illustrations, they briefly explained how these tools evolved over time.

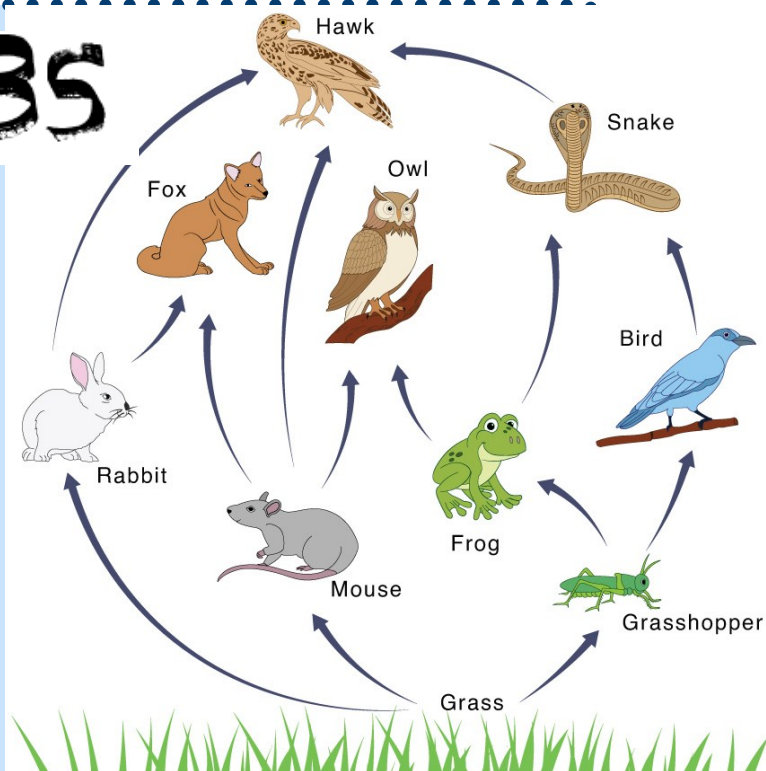


FOOD WEBS

This week in 5/6 we have been learning about food webs and food chains.

A food chain is a sequence of feeding relationships between organisms.

A food web is where these different chains link together.



We recapped on our knowledge of following science vocabulary:

Producers– Organisms that provide food for other organisms. Producers make their own food through the process of photosynthesis

Consumers– Animals that eat other animals or plants

Predators– Animals that hunt and eat other animals

Herbivore– A consumer (animal) that only eats plants.

Carnivore– A consumer that only eats other animals

Omnivore– An animal that eats both plants and meat (other animals)

Habitat– The natural home of an animal or plant where they can find shelter, food and reproduce

Prey– The animal that gets hunted and eaten by another animal

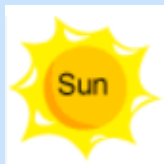


5/6



We discussed how if an organism is removed from the food chain, it spoils the flow of energy and nutrients in the ecosystem. It disrupts the balance of the food chain. As a result, the organisms which depend on others for food will die due to starvation.

We added the sun into our food chain as a Primary Source of energy.



CARBON MONOXIDE WORKSHOP

5/6

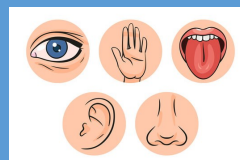


On Monday, the children in year 5 had a visitor from The Safety Centre in Milton Keynes. They learned all about the dangers of carbon monoxide (CO). They learned which appliances it could come from, why it is dangerous, how to spot that there may be a CO link by looking for the symptoms or listening for a CO alarm (if you have one) and what we can do if we suspect there is CO in our homes.



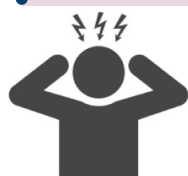
You can't SEE it, HEAR it, SMELL it, TOUCH it or TASTE it.

The only way to know is by having a CO alarm in your home.



HOW TO STAY SAFE

If you suspect that you may have a carbon monoxide leak, you should call the National Gas Emergency number on 0800 111 999. And/or consult a doctor?



Headaches



Confusion



Breathlessness



Collapse



Nausea



Dizziness



Tiredness



Stomach pains



CAN'T BE SEEN



CAN'T BE HEARD



CAN'T BE SMELLED



CAN BE DETECTED

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Active Kids
Christmas!



Wednesday 3rd
& Thursday 4th

JANUARY 2024

2
DAYS!

CHRISTMAS
HOLIDAYS
FUN!

HEALTHY
LUNCH
PROVIDED

FREE
places available
for eligible families

Exclusive to
Pupils at



Lighthorne Heath Primary School

Stratford Road, Lighthorne Heath,
Leamington Spa, Warwickshire CV33 9TW

For more information go to

haf.onsidelive.co.uk

Understanding Children's Behaviour

**A FREE 2-hour workshop for parents and carers in
Warwickshire / Lighthorn Heath Primary**

Being a parent is exciting and rewarding but there are also times when they behave in ways that challenge.

This two-hour interactive workshop for parents and carers looks at some of the reasons children behave the way that they do and offers insight and strategies to parents to help guide behaviour.

**Lighthorn Heath Primary School,
Stratford Road Lighthorn Heath, CV33 9TW
Friday January 26th 2024 9.30am- 11.30am**

To check availability and book a place, please contact
ehparenttrainers@warwickshire.gov.uk



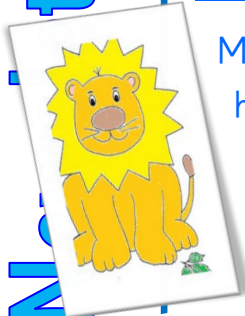
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Lighthorne Heath Learning Heroes

Nursery & Reception

Mrs Manley and Mrs Hartley have chosen Leroy as their learning hero this week because he has shown great enthusiasm for our focus topic on The Little Red Hen. Leroy chose to create his own story map with some amazing drawings and he used his phonic knowledge to label the pictures. Well done Leroy!



Co-operate

Years 1 & 2

Our hero this week is Aurora who joined our class on Tuesday. She has amazed us already with her fabulous writing, concentration and her hard-working attitude. Aurora is also kind and polite and it's been a pleasure to welcome her into our class team.



Have a go

Persevere

Years 3 & 4

Miss Singh has chosen Mateusz as this week's hero for producing fantastic home learning work and consistently completing it with enthusiasm. Additionally, for his well-written and humorous diary based on the story "Stone Age Boy." Excellent use of vocabulary. Well done!



Keep on improving

Concentrate

Years 5 & 6

My hero this week is Malaya. She has worked hard in all her lessons and been a fantastic addition to the class. She showed brilliant team-work when working in a group during our science lesson on food webs and we are really pleased to welcome her to 5/6 class.



Use your imagination

Enjoy learning

Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health



Mental Health in Schools Team (MHST)

Tips For Wellness:

BOUNCING BACK

Bouncing back is all about 'having another go' after we are faced with challenges, this is also called **resilience**! We will all need to bounce back at times, so it is important to maintain a growth mindset and practise how we can be more resilient.

Our tips for bouncing back:

- 1- Watch this short video on 'bouncebackability' and how to build resilience.
Scan the QR code to load the video and other lesson resources.



- 2- Practise **problem solving** as a strategy to overcome practical difficulties and help you bounce back! Follow the steps below:

1. What is the problem?
2. How does it make you feel?
3. What are the possible solutions?
4. What are the positives and negatives of each solution?
5. Select the best solution and make a plan to try out!

- 3- Think about a time when you have faced a challenge in the past...how did you overcome it? Would you do anything differently if you came across the same challenge again? You could discuss this with a friend to share ideas.

- 4- Build your **support network**. Having people that you trust around you through difficult times can help you to bounce back! Try to share how you are feeling with friends, family, teachers and other trusted adults in your life.

#ThanksKids recognises the efforts and kindness of children and young people, and thanks them with personalised #NHSSStars certificates. If you know a child or young person that deserves recognition for going above and beyond, don't wait, nominate!

thankskids@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays. Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.



THE GRUFFALO

BASED ON THE PICTURE BOOK BY
JULIA DONALDSON AND **AXEL SCHEFFLER**

Early Years and KS1 enjoyed a wonderful trip to Warwick Arts Centre to watch the charming performance of The Gruffalo on Monday. The children were all super sensible and thoroughly enjoyed the show! Thank you to all of our volunteer helpers on the day.





Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



Unfortunately, we still have an unacceptable number of pupils for whom attendance and punctuality is causing concern.

Our school monitoring records show a clear correlation between children with poor attendance and those that do not make the academic progress that we aim for.

Children should be in school every day (the school day begins at 8.55am and they should be ready to enter the classroom at this time).

Children should attend school every day and should still attend if they feel tired or are a little 'under the weather'. Sibling and family illness is not an acceptable reason for absence. For more serious or contagious illnesses (vomiting bugs, diarrhoea, chicken pox etc.) then any absence from school should be reported (by telephone or email) to the school office.

**190
DAYS
100%**



**183
DAYS
96%**



**179
DAYS
94%**



**175
DAYS
92%**



**More than
18 days
absence less
than 90%**



ABSENCE = LOST OPPORTUNITY



Did You Know... ?

If Your Child's Attendance During the School Year...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

was 95%

9 Days from School

50 Lessons

was 90%

19 Days from School

100 Lessons

was 85%

29 Days from School

150 Lessons

was 80%

38 Days from School

200 Lessons

was 75%

48 Days from School

250 Lessons

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Community Pop Up

Tuesday 19 December
2 to 4pm

Outside Lighthorne
Heath Primary School



Come and meet our Thriving Communities team and find out about our free Better Days support. Whether it's managing your money, trying something new, employment support or improving your digital skills and your overall wellbeing – we're here to help. We've also got increased cost of living advice too!




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Diary Dates



December	
*Monday 18th December *Friday 22nd December	School Christmas lunch Christmas Jumper day 
Monday 25 December 2023 to Monday 8th January 2024	Christmas Holiday School returns on Tuesday 9 th January



With best wishes from Mrs Westwood, Mrs Manley and all the staff at
Lighthorne Heath Primary School.

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 29: Goals of education

Benn Partnership Centre
 Railway Terrace, Rugby, CV21 3HR
 Tel: 01788 553033
 Email: info@bennpartnership.org.uk
 Website: www.bennpartnership.org.uk

Monday 25th December

FREE CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

Each year Benn Partnership Centre offers a free Christmas Day Event for members of the community who would otherwise be alone.

Do you have family who will be working Christmas day?
 Or will you struggle to cook a Christmas dinner?
 If so, please call or email before Friday 1st December to book your place and advise us of your dietary requirements.

Arrive at 10:30am with dinner at 1:00 pm and stay until 4:00pm. Please note that the numbers are limited so it will be on first come first served basis.

Tel: 01788 553033
Email: info@bennpartnership.org.uk

SYDNI

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCH

WEDNESDAY 13TH DEC

**ARRIVE FROM 12 NOON
 LUNCH SERVED AFTER 12.30**

**TRADITIONAL TURKEY LUNCH WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS
 CHRISTMAS PUDDING OR WINTER BERRY PAVLOVA**

Music, Quiz, Games, Carols.
 Christmas hats or jumpers optional

Call 01926 422071 to book your place

Cottage Square, Sydenham, Leamington Spa, CV31 1PT 01926 422071
sydni.org
 Opening hours: Monday - Friday 9.00-5.00

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CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SUNDAY 3rd DECEMBER
 10am - 4pm

THE BAND FACTORY
 ALTHORPE STREET, LEAMINGTON SPA, CV31 2AU

CHILDREN'S DECORATION WORKSHOP

SANTA'S GROTTO

CHRISTMAS STALLS

CAROLS FROM ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL CHOIR

Napton WI

Christmas Food Fayre

Saturday 16th December

Napton Village Hall

10:30 am - 4:00 pm

Home Baking!

Local Produce!

Refreshments

Roasted Chestnuts

Mulled Wine

Xmas Stalls

Visit Santa
 2.00 - 4.00 pm

£1 entry under 16 free



MERRY Christmas

Charity CRAFT FAYRE

STUDENT RUN STALLS

20 DEC | cafe • food • raffle • crafts • **4.30-6.30 PM**
CASH ONLY (no card facilities)

 All funds raised will be donated to Katharine House Hospice



Spring Workshops

WEEKEND SINGING AND SONGWRITING SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN AGED 6+ AND YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 16-23 IN WARWICK

SPRING DATES
Saturday 20th January 2pm to 5pm
Saturday 3rd February 2pm to 5pm
Sunday 10th March 2pm

CONCERT SUN 10th MARCH 4pm

APPLY HERE: www.bit.ly/WYCjoinus

Support and mentoring is available at our workshop sessions for those entering our You Can Sing Competition 2024

In partnership with

Registered Charity number 1150219 | www.youthchoirs.org



For Children aged 5-11 years

Barnardo's Warwickshire Children and Family Centres
A coordination of services for families with children aged 0-19 and up to age 25 with SEND

Comic-Art Wellbeing Workshop Day

Tuesday 2nd January
11am-3pm

Join us at Lillington Children and Family Centre for a fun, artsy day where children can create their own superhero and then make a comic strip starring that hero!

You can request your HAF code from Warwickshire HAF Team
HAFPROGRAMME@WARWICKSHIRE.GOV.UK or using the online form at
<https://tinyurl.com/ykcw2n9j>

To book, please go to our Eventbrite page or scan the code:
<https://warwickdistrictcfc.eventbrite.com>
For more information email: warwickdistrictcfc@barnardos.org.uk
Call: 01926 887597 (option 1)

